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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 01 DECEMBER 2004 RIORITY DATE CLAIMED 02 DECEMBER 2003 PCT/JP2004/017872 TITLE OF INVENTION ABSORBENT ARTICLE APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Makiko MIYAIRI Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. X The US has been elected (Article 31). ls. X A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. LXI An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.

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12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).

An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT

13. A preliminary amendment.

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14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.

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A substitute specification.

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